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Chapter: 28, Section 2, Tax Formulas (TAXES)

Bulletin: TAXES 09–4, Kentucky State Income Tax Withholding

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To: Holders of TAXES (State of Kentucky only)

Personnel User Groups

**T&A Contact Points in Kentucky** 

Beginning with wages paid for Pay Period 5, the National Finance Center (NFC) will make the following change to the state of Kentucky income tax withholdings:

■ The standard deduction will increase from \$2,100 to \$2,190.

No action on the part of the employee or the personnel office is necessary.

To view the updated tax formula, go to NFC's Home Page (www.nfc.usda.gov) and click the **Publications** link at the top of the page. At the Publications page right—hand menu, click **Tax Formulas** and select the appropriate state from the map provided. Changes to the tax formula are identified by " $\blacktriangleright$   $\blacktriangleleft$ ".

For questions about NFC processing, contact the Payroll/Personnel Call Center at **504–255–4630**.

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## **Kentucky State Income Tax Information**

State Abbreviation: KY
State Tax Withholding State Code: 21
Acceptable Exemption Form: K-4

Basis For Withholding: State Exemptions

Acceptable Exemption Data: 0 / Number of Exemptions

TSP Deferred: Yes

**Special Coding:** Determine the Total Number Of Allowances field as follows:

First Position - Enter 0 (zero).

Second and Third Positions – Enter the number of exemptions

The Amount of Kentucky

claimed.

Additional Information: None

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## Withholding Formula ▶(Effective Pay Period 5, 2009) ◀

1. Subtract the nontaxable biweekly Thrift Savings Plan contribution from the gross biweekly wages.

- **2.** Subtract the nontaxable biweekly Federal Health Benefits Plan payment(s) (includes dental and vision insurance program, and flexible spending account health care and dependent care deductions) from the amount computed in Step 1.
- **3.** Add the taxable biweekly fringe benefits (taxable life insurance, etc.) to the amount computed in step 2 to obtain the adjusted gross biweekly wages.
- **4.** Multiply the adjusted gross biweekly wages by 26 to obtain the annual wages.
- **5.** Subtract the standard deduction of ▶\$2,190 from the result of step 4 to compute the taxable income.
- **6.** Apply the taxable income computed in step 5 to the following table to determine the annual Kentucky tax withholding.

## **Tax Withholding Table**

Taxable Inc	CO	ome Is:	Ta	Tax Withholding Should Be:				
Over:		But Not Over:					Of Excess Over:	
\$ 0	)	\$ 3,000	\$	0	plus	2%	\$	0
3,000	)	4,000		60	plus	3%		3,000
4,000	)	5,000		90	plus	4%		4,000
5,000	)	8,000		130	plus	5%		5,000
8,000	)	\$75,000		280	plus	5.8%		8,000
75,000	)	and over		4,166	plus	6%		75,000

**7.** Determine the exemption allowance by applying the following guideline and subtract this amount from the result of step 6 to compute the annual Kentucky tax withholding.

Exemption Allowance = \$20 x Number of Exemptions

**8.** Divide the annual Kentucky tax withholding by 26 to obtain the biweekly Kentucky tax withholding.